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| Lever-actuated high-pressure gas tap adjustable to different bottle necks | | | | | | | | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US L'Air Liquide, Société Anonyme à Directoire et Conseil de Surveillance pour l'Etude et l'Exploitation des Procédés Georges Claude | | | | | | | | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | | | | | | | | |
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| | This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. | | | | | | | | |
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| 5. X | A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) | | | | | | | | |
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| в. 🔀 | An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). | | | | | | | | |
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| | b. has been previously submi | itted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | | | | | | |
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| 9. X | An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). | | | | | | | | |
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| 15. | A substitute specification. | | | | | | | | |
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- 5. Preliminary Amendment;
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